## ENLISTMENT CONTRACTS IN OFFICERS HANDS

TELEGAM TO MANNING

Recognition of Militia With Held by War Department Pending Report on Reororganization.

NEW OATH

The following is the new oath required for members of the National Guard under the national defense act: .. .... .. .. .. .. .. ..

"State of South Carolina.

"County of-"I hereby acknowledge to have voluntarily enlisted this -, 191, as a soldier in the National Guard of the United States and of the State of South Carolina, for the perjod of three years in service and three years in the reserve, under the conditions prescribed by law, unless sooner discharged by proper authority. And I do solemnly swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the United States of America and to the State of South Carolina and that I will serve them honestly and faithfully against all their enemies whomsoever, and that I will obey the orders of the president of the United States and of the governor of the State of South Carolina, and of the officers appointed over me, according to law and the rules and arti-

"(Signature of Soldier.)"

Recognition under this law of your National Guard by the war department until receipt report from your State that its officers have subscribed to the new oath and its enlisted men have subscribed to the new contract of enlistment," says a telegram received yesterday by Gov. Manning from Acting Secretary of War Ing-

Gov. Manning replied as follows: "Your wire. Adjutant general has placed oaths and contracts of enlistment in hands of officers and men of the National Guard of this State. Reorganization process now going

Defense Act.

The telegram from the acting Secretary of war follows.

"The national defense act, approved June 3. 1916, contemplates the transaction of the present organized militia into National Guard upon fulfillment of the requirements prescribed in sections 70 and 73 of said act as to enlistment contracts and others. The enlistment contracts and oaths now required by lawE and oaths now required by your State are deemed insufficient within KERSHAW PREPARING the meaning of sections 70 and 73. No funds for next fiscal year can be placed to credit of any State for National Guard purposes until recognition as National Guard is extended as provided in said act. The necesof report from your State that its magnitude of attractions greater officers have subscribed to the than ever before. new oath and its enisted men have Hon. W. F. Stevenson of Cheraw, contracts and new oath. The militia candidate for Congress, will be the Mamie Frasier Society. and process of reorganization.

FIRE CONSUMES HOME OF A B. GLASSCOCK EARLY THIS MORNING

Fire was discovered in the home morning. The cause of same is tainment and amusement free of not furthen mention by us. was burned. It was partially cov. man, woman and child in the three and merriment. ered by insurance. The house was counties should not attend. owned by Mrs. M R. McCardell.

The local fire department is to be congfiratulated on the splendid casion and a royal welcome awaits ade will abound in unlimited quanwork accomplished by them in the everybody everywhere. handling of the situation.

trict was in town on business today, spend a most enjoyable day.

## Better Babies are Shown in Lancaster



LITTLE MISS CORINNE THOM-SON ELLISON

Daughter of Mr and Mrs. A. G. Ellison, age one year, who was awarded the highest score, same being 96.7 points, at the recent Better Babies Contest. She also won the sweepstake prize for the best girl in the town.



LITTLE MISS MARY STEWART BARTLETT

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Bartlett, born September 25, 1914, who scored 93.5 points in the recent Better Babies Contest, winning the blue ribbon for girls in the one to two year class.

Pictures of Those Who \* Won Prizes in Better \* Babies Contest Held \* Here June 1-2.



MASTER SOL HIRSCH

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hirsch, born December 13, 1913, who scored 94 points in the recent Better Babies Contest. He won the sweepstake prize for the best all round boy in town.

These babies won prizes and blue ribbons in recent Better Babies Contest held under auspices of the Civic League.



LITTLE MISS JUANITA ELLISON

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs Luther Ellison, born November 4, 1915, who scored 93.5 points in the recent Better Babeis Contest, thereby winning the blue ribbon for girls in the six months to one year old class.



LITTLE MISS LUCY MAYFIELD WITHRERSPOON

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Witherspoon, age 32 months, who scored 96 points in the recent Better Babies Contest, thereby winning the blue ribbon for girls between two and three years of age.

Kershaw is making elaborate preparations for staging her "Great sity for early action is therefore Fouth of July Celtbration." Twice manifest. The form of new oaths to before our neighboring city has pullbe subscribed to by enlisted men ed off celebrations on the annivermust be identical with the require- sary of American Independence and ments of the act of June 3, 1916. great success has attended her ef-Recognition under this law of your forts This year, however, prepar-National Guard by the war depart. ations are on a larger scale, the prize ment must be deferred until receipt list is larger and the number and

bureau will advise the State adju- orator of the day; the trades parade tant general as to the details of pro- will be be elaborate and gorgeous; cedure best adapted to secure the de- among other features will be a basesired result. Please have war de-ball game, tournament, boxing match ments, such as: fortune tellerpartment advised as to action taken mule races, fancy riding, live stock so don't fail to have your fortune and poultry exhibits\_\_indeed it will told; tight rope walking; all kinds be a small fair. Good band music of artistic side shows and many oth-

day.

every person who goes to Kershaw be thrown open to the public revealon July 4 will be most royally welling a spectacle of dazzling splendor Hon. J. Harry Foster, candidate for Solicitor from the judicial dis-

UNIQUE CARNIVAL COMING. | HELD BATTLEFIELDS

FOR BIG FOURTH One Day Feature of Amusement—to be Exhibited on Court House Grounds Friday, June 30, Under Auspices of Mamie Frasier Society

This is great news for the children as well as a large number of the numbered among the city's best peo- tonight ple for it must be understood that given under the direction of the reinforcements were brought up.

Amusements

There will be all kinds of amusewill be furnished throughout the er laughable features too numerous to mention. The management has LANCASTER ALWAYS LEADING No admission fees of any kind nor been fortunate in securing entrance fees to any exhibit will be the celebrated "FOSTER MOOREof Mr. A. B. Glasscock on Chester. for Lancaster, Kershaw and Chester- SON FAMOUS COMEDIAN ACT"

Kershaw is expecting , at least elephant and babies; cold drinks, The State. ten thousand visitors on this oc- candies, ice cream and "red lemontities, so don't fail to be on hand.

We do not hesitate to say that Promptly at 6 o'clock the gates will dream so dear to the hearts of all to come promptly at 6 o'clock.

AGAINST MEXICANS

American Troopers Retained Positions Till Heavy Reinforcements Caused Retirement.

grown-ups,—a CARNIVAL is to be troop of the Tenth cavalry which er, Mrs. Wilson Snipes, this week. located on the Court House grounds clashed with Carranza forces yester-Friday, June 30, for one day day at Carrizal held the field for five Great Falls have moved here, where only, beginning at 6 o'clock in the hours before retreating, although they will reside in future. evening and its principal actors, they were outnumbered five to one comedians and managers will be according to unofficial reports here sick this week.

The reports said the Americans sick this week this great fun-making event is being only withdrew when heavy Mexican

> It was learned that a courier from the battlefield reached Gen. Persh- from the country to the village. ing's field headquarters at Colnia Dublan late today and the expedi- sick this week. tionary commander's report is expected over the army wireless mo- sick this week. mentarily

Lancaster had a handsome contricharged Kershaw is furnishing CURTIS MACKEY-MARK JOHN- bution in the first published list of South Carolina contributions to the field avenue about three a. m. this field counties a day of royal enter- whose fame and reputation needs Democratic campaign fund, and she will add more. As we recall it, Lanunknown. Some of the household charge. The railroads are running Balloons will ascend at intervals caster made a splendid showing in contents were saved but all of the convenient schedules and reduced during the evening. Purchase one the fund column four years ago and dining room and kitchen furniture rates. There is no reason why every and participate in the gala of fun we have no doubt that her citizens will exert themselves to make "Lan-Peanuts with which to feed the caster Leads" a realty this year .-

> Don't fail to attend the Carnival on the Court House grounds Fri-

youngsters. All children expected

NOTES FROM Mill Village.

The little baby of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Griffin is very sick. Little W C. Wallace, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace, is ver v sick.

Mrs. Wilson Snipes visited relatives here Saturday and Sunday.

with typhoid fever.

Miss Lois Griffin has been

Miss Dillie Adams has been very sick this week. Mr Robert Robertson has return-

ed from a visit to Rock Hill. Mr. Walter Orr carried his little girl to the Fennell Infirmary Satur- street." indicted with him. Lamar day where she will undergo treat- is said here to have obtained a large ment.

MEETING JR. O. U. A. M.

U A. M., request all members to services commensurate with the sum meet at hall next Tuesday night at of money he is said to have received 8:30 to get in readiness to go to Kershaw July 4th. Members of other SECOND COTTON BLOOM REcouncils are invited to go also.

lemen and children. Located at Gregory-Hood Live Haile near Heath Springs.

Stock Company. Business 'Phone This is the second bid 226, Residence 'Phone 334. 71-tfc by the News this season.

CHARGES GERMANS

STIR UP TROUBLE

Activities of Captain Pointed Out as Proof of Berlin's Interest in Matter.

Washington, June 22 .- Advices received here from Mexico allege that the German representatives there have encouraged Gen. Carranza and the officers of the de facto gov ernment in their opposition to United States troops remaining in that country. The form of encouragement was said to have been moral rather than material

The reports further de lare that German citizens in Mexico are being treated with great consderation, their property not being molested. Some Americans have taken advantage of the favors accorded German subjects by placing their property in the hands of German friends upon leaving Mexico.

This information was disclosed by a competent authority in connecton with information concerning the activity in Mexican affairs of Capt. Franz von Rintelen, now under indictment in New York for conspiracy to foment strikes in American munitions planes, and under arrest in England.

Von Rintelen is known by the authorities mentioned as well as by government officials to have been most active in Mexican affairs. His activities began at the time Villa a plot to gain control of the govern-Huerta went to the border to direct The information obtained leads of-

A Triple Motive

Von Rintelen today was described as having been prompted by three motives in endeavoring to stir up trouble between the United States and Mexico, although primarily his activities were said to have been directed against the entente allies and not agains the United States.

The information obtained leads o-f ficials to believe that by starting a dispute between the United States and Meixco, munition shipments from America would be stopped, that the United States would be too busy to pursue the submarine controversy and that the allied navies would be prevented from getting fuel oil and More than 60 per cent, of thecnee gasoline from the Mexican fields More than 60 per cent. of the oil used in the British navy comes from Mexico.

It was pointed out today that at no time would he United States have failed to press its demands in regard to the conduct of submarine warfare even if a state of war existed with Mexico. As for the exportation of oil from the Mexican fields, it was said today that in the event of war between the United States and Mexico, some means would be found prevent the plans of von Rentelen

from being realized Others Brought In

The names of Fredericco Stallforth of New York, a former banker Columbus, N. M., June 22.—The .. Mrs. Lee Sinclair visited her moth- in Mexico and Andrew C. Meloy, also of New York, are mentioned in con-Mr Joe Hunter and family of nection with that on von Rentelen. been associated with von Rintelen Mrs. Jack Lowry has been very in Mexico, was called before the federal grand jury in New York to tes-Mrs. L. A. Adams has been very tify as to his activities. Von Rintelen while in this country maintained Master Bud Hilliard is very sick headquarters in Sallforth's offices. He is understood here to have de-Mr. Calvin Harden has moved nied any connection with Mexican intrigues, but was remanded to jatt Miss Lois Snipes has been very over night for refusing to answer certain questions before the jury.

Meloy also was associated with von Rintelen in Mexico. He was indict. Mrs. Joe Threatt is still paralyzed and in New York on the charge of having obtained a false passport for von Rintelen.

Another name mentioned with von Rintelen's was that of David Lamar, sometimes called "the wolf of Wallsum of money from von Rintelen to be used in promoting certain plans regarding Mexico and dock strikes in New York. So far as is known in Lancaster Council No. 38, Jr. O. Washington, Lamar performed no

CEIVED

Wednesday morning the News re-Dr. J. J. Pollard will give lessons ceived a cotton bloom taken from the n riding and driving to ladies, gen- eight acre field owned by John R.

This is the second bloom received